

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Claims 1-19 remain active in this application with claims 1-7 and 9-16 being under active consideration. Rejoinder of claims 8 and 17-19 is requested.

The present invention is directed to an oil-cooked or baked potato.

Applicants wish to thank Examiner Becker for allowing claims 1-7 and 9-16.

Applicants respectfully request rejoinder of the subject matter of claims 8 and 17-19 directed to a process of preparing an oil-cooked or baked potato, reciting the same oil or fat composition as in allowed claim 1. Applicants note that claim 8 has been amended to recite an amount of oil or fat of from 3 to 50 wt. %, as in allowed claim 1. Since, as a result of the restriction requirement of January 22, 2004 which was timely traversed on February 6, 2004, applicants elected product claims 1-7 and 9-16, which have now been found to be allowable, rejoinder of the method claims of the same scope is respectfully requested.

Applicants wish to thank the examiner for withdrawing his objection to the abstract.

Applicants submit this application is now in condition for allowance and early notification of such action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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